



Dear Parade Participants:

This year due to the impacts of Covid-19 and the Town of Blacksburg ordinance of limiting gatherings to 50 people or less we will be staging a reverse parade, which means parade entries are stationary and spectators drive by to view them.

The Town of Blacksburg would like to personally invite you or your organization to be a participant in the 2020 Holiday Parade to be held on **Friday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.** This year's theme is **North Pole Fantasy!**

Safety will be our main concern for both participants and spectators please review the attached rules, regulations and safety guidelines before determining your entry type.

The deadline for entering the parade is Friday, **November 20, 2020** at 5:00 p.m. We ask that you **do not have a Santa** in your parade entry, or hand out any type of materials, or candy this year

If you would like to be a Holiday Parade participant please fill out the enclosed application and return it by Friday November 20 at 5:00p.m. Detailed parade lineup information will be forwarded prior to the parade to the contact person of each group/organization in the latter part of November.

If you have questions or concerns, please call me at 540-443-1106 or e-mail me at rhall@blacksburg.gov.

Happy Holidays,

Randy Hall
Community Programs Supervisor
Town of Blacksburg, VA
540-443-1106

Blacksburg Parks and Recreation Department

Parade Safety: Rules, Regulations, and Helpful Hints

- Due to social distancing guidelines/restrictions you must limit the number of people in your parade entry as follows
 - Maximum of 3 people allowed on 12 foot trailer
 - Maximum of 4 people allowed on 18 foot trailer
 - Maximum of 5 people allowed on 20 foot or longer trailer
 - Maximum of 12 members for standing groups—and must be at least 6 foot apart.
- All participants must remain in their vehicle (or group if standing)
- All participants must wear a mask and practice social distancing by staying at least 6 foot apart
- All decorative materials utilized on parade floats shall be **flame-resistant**.
- All motorized apparatus utilized for parade floats shall be provided with a **portable fire extinguisher** with a minimum 2-A: 10-B: C rating, to which the operator shall have ready access.
- Any parade float utilizing special effects designed to create smoke, flame, heat, or sparking conditions shall be approved prior to utilization.
- **Adult supervision** should be provided to all children.
- All floats must be **less than 13 feet high**.
- **NO** Headlights **during lineup**.
- A rope should be placed around any truck bed, as a **safety support** to hold onto, where parade participants will be sitting or standing.
- Do not hand out / or throw any materials / candy to the spectators
- Do not have a Santa in your entry, the town will provide one.

*If you have questions or concerns, please contact
Randy Hall at (540) 443-1106 or rhall@blacksburg.gov*

2020 Blacksburg Annual Holiday Parade
Friday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.
Theme: "North Pole Fantasy"
Parade Entry Deadline: Friday, November 20 at 5:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION NAME: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____
(This person will receive line-up information)

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
(Parade packet will be emailed to this address)

DAYTIME TELEPHONE: () _____

Number of People in Your Entry: _____ See guidelines on restrictions/NO exceptions

ENTRY TYPE: (Check Box)

FLOAT ☐
(Under 13ft. high) _____

- Maximum of 3 people allowed on 12 foot trailer
- Maximum of 4 people allowed on 18 foot trailer
- Maximum of 5 people allowed on 20 foot or longer trailer
- Maximum of 12 members for standing groups—and must be at least 6foot apart.

MOTORCADE ☐
(Only 1 vehicle per business) _____

- No more than 3 per vehicle (Including driver)

OTHER ☐
(Standing Group) _____

- Maximum of 12 members for standing groups

A Parade Information Packet will be sent to your organization contact person via mail or email prior to the parade. Please make sure that his/her address is on the registration form, as all information will be mailed to that address. **The contact person is responsible for informing all members of their organization about line-up instructions and other detailed instructions.**

RETURN ENTRY FORM TO (Form must be received by 5 pm on Friday, Nov. 20):

Mail: Department of Parks and Recreation
c/o Randy Hall, Community Programs Supervisor
615 Patrick Henry Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24060
Fax Number: 540-951-8313 or **email:** rhall@blacksburg.gov